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December 20, 2022

**By ECF**

Honorable J. Paul Oetken  
United States District Judge  
Southern District of New York  
40 Foley Square  
New York, New York 10007


**Re: *United States v. Liam Smout, 21 Cr. 189 (JPO)***

Dear Judge Oetken:

This case is currently scheduled for a court conference on December 21, 2022. The parties are continuing to engage in plea discussions and jointly request that the conference be adjourned until January 27, 2023 at 2:30 PM. The parties also jointly request that the Court exclude time under the Speedy Trial Act until the rescheduled conference date. The requested exclusion of time is in the interests of justice because it will enable the parties to continue plea discussions in this case.

Respectfully submitted,

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